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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): PAULEY et al.
Serial No.: 09/414,764
For: RAPID EXPANSION TAMPON PLEDGET
Filed: October 7, 1999
Examiner: Michele M. Kidwell
Art Unit: 3761
Confirmation No.: 3820
Customer No.: 27,623

Attorney Docket No.: 460.1791USU

**Mail Stop AF
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

We are enclosing an Amendment in response to the Final Office Action dated November 1, 2005 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$_____ to extend the time for filing this response until _____.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|-------|---|------------------|------------|----|
| | Claims Remaining After Amendment | | Highest Number Previously Paid | Present Extra | Rate | |
| Total Claims | 11 | Minus | 21 | 0 | x \$50.00 | \$ |
| Independent Claims | 4 | Minus | 4 | 0 | x \$200.00 | \$ |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE | | | | x \$360.00 = \$ | | |
| TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES | | | | \$0.00 | | |
| 1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY | | | | \$N/A | | |

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 0.00 .

 A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

January 3, 2006

Date




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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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The following is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on November 1, 2005
in the above-referenced application:

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